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SHOWING OUR COMMUNITY SPIRIT (IN RED, WHITE & BLUE)

It was a picture perfect day on July 2nd for the annual Independence Day celebration in the Everglades area. It started with the cannon salute, then the day was kicked off by Mayor Sammy Hamilton who addressed the crowd. This year we had one of the largest parades we have ever seen in these parts with over 25 entrants in golf carts, swamp buggies and decked out cars.

Later, kids (big and small alike) showed off their patriotism clad in red, white and blue from head to toe. This year, we even saw some patriotic pets attend in adorable costumes thanks to their creative owners.

Of course, the night ended on a perfect note when the fireworks lit up the sky. They were absolutely spectacular! I am convinced that our show had to be one of the best around.

Thank you to all who helped organize the day and thank you to all of the contributors that donate throughout the year to make this all possible.



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JULY - AUGUST 2016

<u>SUN</u>	<u>MON</u>	<u>TUES</u>	<u>WED</u>	<u>THURS</u>	<u>FRI</u>	<u>SAT</u>
17	18 Hour of Prayer Holy Family Catholic Church, 7 pm Summer Camp, <i>See p. 3</i>	19 full moon ● Summer Camp, <i>See p. 3</i>	20 Ladies Coffee Island Café, 8 am Summer Camp, <i>See p. 3</i>	21 Summer Camp, <i>See p. 3</i>	22	23
24	25 Hour of Prayer Everglades Community Church, 7 pm	26	27 Ladies Coffee City Seafood, 8 am	28	29	<u>RAPPER 30</u>
31	Aug 1 Hour of Prayer Copeland Baptist Church, 7pm	2 new moon ○	3 Ladies Coffee Island Café, 8 am	4	5 No sales tax	6 No sales tax
7 No sales tax	8 Hour of Prayer Chokoloskee Church of God, 7 p.m. No sales tax	9	10 Ladies Coffee City Seafood, 8 am	11	12	<u>RAPPER 13</u>
14	15 Hour of Prayer Holy Family Catholic Church, 7 pm OFGD meeting, <i>See p.3</i> Back to School	16	17 Ladies Coffee Island Café, 8 am	18 full moon ●	19	20

Sept 24: Blessing of Fleet

Oct 15: Stone Crab Season Opens

THRIFT SHOP: Sat, 11 am–3 pm
 LIONS CLUB: Meetings to Resume in Fall
 DR DEMARTINO: *Closed for the Summer Season*
 DR MARTIN: Mon & Wed, 10 am-2 pm & 3-6 pm; Com. Center
 AA: Wed, 5:00 pm, Community Church
 HEALTHY EATING: Tues, 5 to 6 pm, Community Church
 MUSEUM: Mon – Sat, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
 CARNESTOWN Recycle and Trash: 2nd Saturday, 9 am to 3:30 pm

SKATING RINK: Fri, Sat, 7-10 pm
 REACH OUT: 3rd Tuesday, 9:30 am, City Hall
 LITTLE GATOR CLINIC: *Closed for the Summer Season*
 FOOD PANTRY: Wed, 12 n to 2 pm, Community Church
 EVERGLADES AL-ANON: Thurs, 12noon, City Hall
 VETERANS SUPPORT: First Fri, 10 am, Com. Church
 SMALLWOOD STORE: Daily, 11 am to 5 pm
 PANCAKE FLY-IN: *Closed for the Summer Season*

SHERIFF AT CITY HALL: 1st Tuesday (4:30 pm) Other Tuesdays (10-11 am)
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Mon–Thurs (9 am to 2 pm); Fri-Sat (9 am to 3 pm)

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available at City Hall.

**Everglades National Park
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Everglades Exploration

Time: 2:30 PM to 3:00 PM
Location: Shark Valley Visitor Center
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glimpse of the Everglades.

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NOTICES

In Loving Memory

Alice T. Morrow



03/02/1939 - 06/25/2012

**"I miss you so much; it seems like
your passing was yesterday!"**

Myron H. (Moose) Morrow

Thank you, Tamara!

Thank you to **Tamara Paquette** for
participating in
our "Miss and
Mr. Firecracker"
contest as a judge
during our
Independence
Day Celebration
on July 2nd.
Tamara is
currently running
for District 5,
Collier County



Commissioner. She visited our area to
enjoy the celebration and to meet and have
an opportunity to speak with our area's
residents.

HOUSEHOLD TIPS

The government has a website
which keeps track of recall alerts
on vehicles. You can check yours
by entering the make and model
at <http://www.safercar.gov/CheckForRecalls>.
Note that there has
been large airbag recall. You can
also read complaints about your car
and register to have alerts emailed
to you.

OCHOPEE FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT

- 06/27/16: Vehicle Accident, 63 M I-75
- 06/27/16: Fire Alarm, Ochopee
- 06/28/16: Emergency Med, Port of the Islands
- 06/28/16: Emergency Medical, Ochopee
- 06/28/16: Emergency Med, Plantation Island
- 06/28/16: Emergency Med, Port of the Islands
- 06/29/16: Emergency Med, Plantation Island
- 06/30/16: Emergency Medical, Copeland
- 06/30/16: Vehicle Accident, 63 MM I-75
- 06/30/16: Vehicle Accident, 67 MM I-75
- 06/30/16: Vehicle Accident, 66 MM I-75
- 07/01/16: Fire Alarm, Everglades City
- 07/01/16: Fire Alarm, Everglades City
- 07/01/16: Vehicle Accident, 59 MM I-75
- 07/02/16: Fire Alarm, Everglades City
- 07/04/16: Vehicle Accident, 77 MM I-75
- 07/04/16: Public Assist, Port of the Islands
- 07/05/16: Smell of Smoke, Everglades City
- 07/06/16: Emergency Medical, Copeland
- 07/07/16: Emergency Med, SR 29 and US 41
- 07/07/16: Vehicle Accident, 66 Mile Marker I-75
- 07/06/16: Vehicle Accident, 49 Mile Marker I-75
- 07/05/16: Vehicle Accident, US 41 and SR 29
- 07/08/16: Emergency Medical, 63 MM I-75
- 07/08/16: Emergency Med, Port of the Islands
- 07/08/16: Vehicle Accident, 53 Mile Marker I-75
- 07/09/16: Vehicle Accident, 56 Mile Marker I-75
- 07/10/16: Vehicle Accident, Everglades City
- 07/10/16: Vehicle Accident, 67 Mile Marker I-75
- 07/11/16: Vehicle Accident, 63 Mile Marker I-75

The Ochopee Fire Control District
Advisory Committee will meet at 4 p.m.
on **Monday, August 14**, in the Port of the
Islands Fire Station, located at 525
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Dr. Kirk DeMartino will continue to
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The Thrift Store is open on Saturdays
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IMPORTANT DATES EVERGLADES CITY SCHOOL

Aug. 15: First day of new school year

Small Town Taylor

by Taylor Mayberry



Happy Birthday America! The Fourth of July is an awesome holiday that we all get to celebrate together. It is full of fun times with your friends and family. This Fourth of July my family and I went to Keewaydin on our boat.

On our way we stopped at the dome homes on Cape Romano. The dome homes look like igloos over the water. When we got to Keewaydin we met up with some of my mom's and dad's friends. We also found my best friend, Maddie, from beach volleyball and I played with her for a little bit.

We jumped off the boat with my little sisters and found sand dollars. My family and I helped push the Sea Tow boat off of a sandbar that it got stuck on. There was a lot of people helping push the boat. It was very big and heavy and took a while to get it unstuck. But, with everyone's help, we got it off the sandbar. As my Grandma always says, "many hands make light work". After a while we went over to play with my friend Maddie again on the other side of the island.



After I played with Maddie, my family, friends and I went to dinner at the Snook Inn. While we were eating dinner a bad thunder storm came in so we drove the boat to my dad's friend Matt's house and watched the fireworks. The fireworks looked really cool with the lightning in the

background. The storm was so scary that we had to drive Matt's truck home and pick up our boat the next day. That was a Fourth of July I will never ever forget.

Happy Birthday America!!!

With lots of love, Taylor

Taylor Mayberry is 10 years old and will be going into the 5th grade at Everglades City School.

Alumni Update

Foundation of Collier County Medical Society

Announces 2016 Scholarship Winners

Karisa Brown, Everglades City School Graduate, is Awarded One of Three Available Scholarships

The Foundation of CCMS healthcare scholarships are for students pursuing careers in healthcare, with awards based on need, academic performance, and community involvement. Ms. Brown received a \$5,000 award.

"Each year we are impressed by the quality of our healthcare scholarship applicants, and we are fortunate to have this opportunity to support our future medical professionals," said Dr.



Rolando Rivera, Foundation Chair. "Thank you to the many Foundation donors who helped make these scholarships possible."

Ms. Brown is a Chokoloskee resident and Everglades City High School graduate enrolled as a second year medical student at the Florida State University College of Medicine. She holds leadership positions in the Pediatric Interest Group and the Christian Medical Association, and hopes to

return to Collier County as a physician to educate patients on the importance of preventive care. Ms. Brown seeks to "inspire the children of my hometown to set goals and chase their dreams with an open heart."

Each spring, eligible Florida residents enrolled or accepted in a healthcare education program may apply for the Foundation of CCMS scholarships. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization launched by the Collier County Medical Society in 2012, with the mission to provide support and leadership to programs that address access to healthcare, promote health education and serve the community's public health needs. The Foundation's signature fundraiser, the Docs & Duffers Golf Tournament on September 17, 2016, will help raise funds for its scholarship program and local healthcare programs in need. More information is available at www.ccmsfoundation.org.

Editor's Note: We are very proud of you, Karisa!

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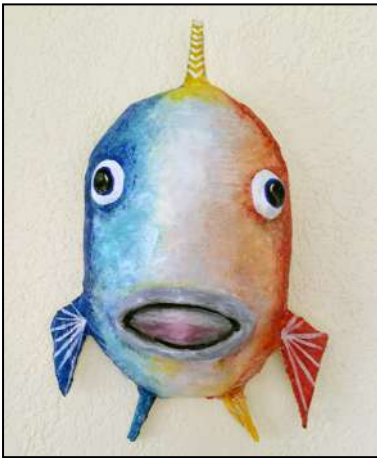
Local Artist Gives Personality to a New Kind of Fish!

Every now and then, you see something that catches your eye. It could be funny; it could be beautiful, or it could be unique...or all three. That was my take when I saw the latest work from local artist, Jaye Bea Brunner.

Jaye Bea grew up in Palm Beach County, where her love of art was nurtured in the public school system. Her last art class was in her senior year of high school.

She left Florida in the late seventies to attend college in West Virginia, where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in Equestrian Studies. She married an Indiana farmer boy, Scott. The love of the sunshine state never left her heart. In 2007, Jaye and her husband were invited to visit friends here in Everglades City.

Choosing to vacation in the Everglades was their best decision. Year after year they visited until 2014, when they moved here permanently.



Jaye is now spending time helping her husband, doing odd jobs and creating art. You may have seen Jaye at the Art in the Park, where she has sold jewelry, greeting cards, and the paintings that she has made since moving to town. Her latest creations are made with papier mache (paper mache).

After seeing all of the wonderful art created by our local students, and now by Jaye Bea...one has to wonder, *what exactly is going on here?* Could it be in the water? We may never know...but what I do know is Jaye's art is fun, it's unique and **it is local**. Email Jaye for more information about her art: jayebea@gmail.com.

Recipe for Good Eating

By Kathy Brock

Fresh Mango Sorbet

This is ridiculously easy!

SORBET RECIPE:

- Cubed, fresh mangoes
- Simple syrup
- Lime juice to taste



SIMPLE SYRUP RECIPE:

Equal parts water and sugar (1 cup water, 1 cup sugar)

Place cubed mangoes into food processor and puree until smooth. Add simple syrup so that it almost covers mangoes in processor. Add lime juice to taste. Start with one tablespoon, taste and adjust as needed.

Pour mango puree into loaf pan, cover and freeze. Serve slightly softened with whipped cream (if desired). This recipe can also be poured into popsicle molds. If you prefer not to add the sugar, or if it is not needed because your mangoes are very sweet, simply add water and omit the sugar. It is really that easy, **and** a great way to use up your fresh fruit before it goes bad!

~ **FOOD PANTRY** ~

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Each Wednesday, the Jinkins Fellowship Hall behind Everglades Community Church looks like a grocery store: meats, veggies & fruit, bread & cakes, dairy products, and other edibles are spread out on the tables by Volunteers from all our Everglades area churches.

Local people in need are welcome to stock up to feed their families at no cost. On the first Wednesday of the month is Senior Food Distribution to ensure the elderly are not left out. Sign up application is required in advance and boxes can be delivered to shut-ins. Much thanks to Harry Chapin Food Bank of Ft. Myers who delivers this food weekly donated to them by local food stores, and thanks to our many Volunteers who help to make this possible. We couldn't do it without them!!



Pictured: Left, Pastor Bob Wallace and his Wife Millie. Right, tables full of food fill up the Hall.

Seaplanes Landing in Everglades City? It's a Possibility...

Reported by Mike Klein

Collier County Airport Authority has agreed to pursue a study of the feasibility of establishing a seaplane landing area and ramp at the Everglades Airpark. The study will be fully financed by the county and any resulting project will be at no cost to Everglades City. Here are some of the findings of the preliminary study:

The preferred sea lane location and alignment (for takeoff and landing) was determined to be in Chokoloskee Bay west of and parallel to the existing paved landside runway at Everglades Airpark. Much of the surrounding airspace is already protected as a result of the existing hard surfaced runway. The placement of sea lane marker buoys would require additional approvals from the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and may require a submerged lands lease from the State of Florida. Sea lane markers require periodic maintenance as well as United States Coast Guard (USCG) approval prior to installation. Therefore, given the presence of nautical traffic in the bay, regulatory and maintenance considerations, a marked sea lane is not a recommended option in this case.

However, due the uniqueness of the location, additional effort will be required to determine the actual or potential environmental impact and mitigate these impacts.

Cost Estimates:

Probable Cost for Engineering \$70,000

Probable Cost for Bidding and Construction (Ramp, Paved Access, Seawall, Dock) \$700,000

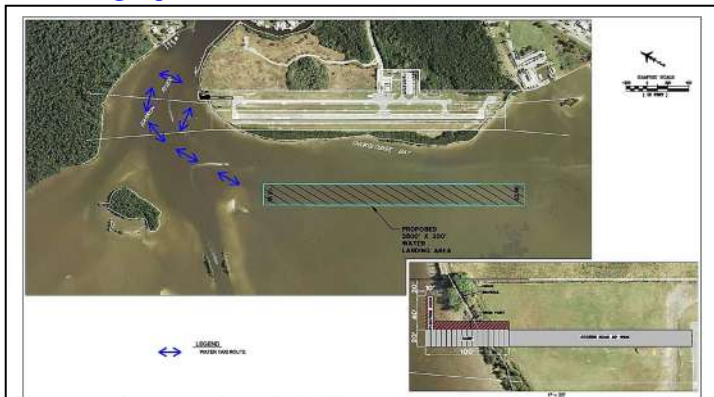
Environmental Permitting Cost: ERP, Dock Permit, Sea Grass Study, Bathymetric Study, \$150,000

FAA Focused Environmental Assessment \$30,000 Environmental Mitigation \$250,000

Total order of magnitude probable cost estimate: \$1.2 Million

Mayor Sammy has appointed Mike Klein, former chairman of the Collier County Airport Authority, to represent the City in monitoring and reporting to him on progress of this endeavor.

For further information, you can contact Mike at 695-0595 or at nfn19842@naples.net.



The above photo shows the proposed landing area adjacent to the Everglades City Airport



Living Gulf Coast

by Charles Sobczak

Royal Palm (*Roystonea elata*, *Roystonea regia*) Other names: none / Status: FL=stable, IUCN=NE / Life span: more than 100 years / Height: 50-90 ft. (15-27.4 m) /

Reproduces by producing a drupe and can propagate naturally on the islands / Found: Along McGregor Blvd and throughout the greater Everglades and Big Cypress National Preserve.

The name fits the tree perfectly, "Royal Palm." With a tall, stately trunk that resembles poured concrete while the canopy displays long, dark green palm fronds that rustle in the slightest breeze, this palm symbolizes the tropical nature of south Florida. Miami's Biscayne Boulevard and McGregor Boulevard in Ft. Myers are both lined with hundreds of these towering palms. The northern portion of McGregor, from College Parkway to the Edison Estate near downtown is the most beautiful boulevard in Lee County, in large part due to the planting of hundreds of these magnificent palms that tower high above the roadway.

There are two species commonly found in Florida. The native species, *Roystonea elata*, can still be found at Collier Seminole State Park which is located on Highway 41. The Florida species differs only slightly from the more popular Cuban tree, *Roystonea regia*, in that its trunk tends to remain more symmetrical than the Cuban species over time.



Most of the trees along McGregor are Cuban royals.

Royals are salt tolerant and very well adapted to living with hurricanes. In major storms the royals utilize their "break-away" palm fronds, allowing the tree to avoid being uprooted by strong winds through the release of all of its foliage long before the storms powerful winds can topple the tree. The living bud remains safe inside the dark green cap of the royal, called the crown shaft and new fronds began appearing within weeks after the storm has passed.

Their fruit is covered in an edible exterior, known scientifically as a drupe, which is readily eaten by birds and other wildlife, with the internal seed passing unscathed through the digestive tract of the animals and dispersed accordingly. This method of propagation is fascinating in that primitive trees do not produce edible seeds, fruits and drupes. These adaptations came only after the arrival of land animals some 400 million years ago during the Devonian period. Today, this relationship is so entwined that most trees, palms, shrubs and plants, lacking birds, mammals and insects to pollinate and disseminate their seeds, would perish.

Charles Sobczak is a Sanibel author. For more information, go to www.indigopress.net. Photos by Charles Sobczak

Royal Palm photo by Charles Sobczak



My Little Slice of Paradise

by Kathy Brock

July and August are great months for planting, but also great for getting things prepared for our prime gardening season and a good time to make sure the yard is prepared for a hurricane or severe storm. Here are some things you can do to get things ready:

Solarize: If you have garden beds that are simply growing weeds waiting for your winter garden, solarizing is a way to mitigate the weeds and get the soil better prepared for gardening season. First get rid of any growth in the beds by weed whacking or pulling the weeds. Till that matter into the soil and then completely moisten the garden bed. Finally, cover the area with clear plastic, and then secure the edges so the soil bakes through the rest of the summer. This serves a two-fold purpose. You enrich the soil with the broken down garden matter, and you snuff out any weeds by functionally baking them to death. When you unveil your garden bed in September, you will have a healthy, weed free starting point!

Repot & Prune: This is a great time of year to re-pot any root-bound plants or plants that are showing signs of failure to thrive. Use a good repotting medium that includes; compost, soil and a lightener like vermiculite. Choose a pot that will give your plant enough room to grow for another calendar year, and one with good drainage.

Most of our trees have completed their fruiting or blooming cycles by this time of year. This is when we can spot dead or dying branches, so it is time to remove them. Try to never leave a "stub" and trim back to the lateral branch. Leaving small stubs leaves the door open for pests like wood borers - so this is important. Removing these branches also speeds the healing process for the plants and makes room for the new growth. You should also look for and remove crossing and rubbing branches. These can cause weakness in the branch and "wounds" that do not heal which can affect a plant's overall health.

Hurricane Preparation: Yes, our plants need to be prepared too. Now is the time to look for branches that are weak, fractured or hanging too close to the house. Get rid of anything that is too close to windows. Coconut palms can hold extremely heavy crops of coconuts. This excess weight will easily bring a tree down in a severe storm. We lost one in Hurricane Andrew and during Wilma. The coconuts are also very heavy projectiles during storms that can cause severe damage to your home and your neighbors too. Most importantly, try not to leave too much clutter outside that will need to be stored in the event of a storm. This will only complicate your preparation, and may be something you cannot find time for as a storm approaches.

Farewell, dear friend,

by Patty Huff

On June 30 my good friend and neighbor of 20 years passed away after several months of ill health. Vicky Nagle was known to most residents for her years of service at the voting polls during elections. She was very insistent that all the rules and regulations were adhered to. She was a stickler for details and justice. Many did not realize that these traits served her well as a high school disciplinary teacher in Sarasota. She treated the students fairly but with authority, training them to become responsible human beings. Vicky will be remembered by our area children as one of the three "witches of Storter Avenue." Halloween was her favorite holiday (she collected "Day of the Dead" memorabilia). She would dress up in her signature witch's costume and sit for hours on her front porch greeting all the goblins that would dare to approach her. Karen Cabral and I were the other "two" witches on our street.

Vicky loved the Everglades and the wildlife, especially during her trips out on the water, taking photos or just observing the wading birds. Her favorite places to walk or drive were through the Fakahatchee Strand (she served as Treasurer of the Friends group for several years) and special outings along Loop Road.

Vicky was my companion on our bi-weekly trips to Naples to see the most recent movies at Mercado and we always included a leisurely afternoon lunch at Masa (Mexican) Restaurant or other interesting places to eat. It was the end of January just prior to meeting for a show when Vicky collapsed in her car; I immediately called 911 for an ambulance to take her to the hospital. That was the day she learned she had congestive heart failure, endured surgery and the aftermath with additional complications. Since then I have missed her laughter, our conversations about world events, books we were reading and life in general. She had a brilliant mind with a combination of wit and wisdom.

Another regular annual outing was afternoon "tea at the Ritz" with other friends. We would get all dressed up and enjoy an afternoon of music, petite sandwiches, champagne and, of course, tea. In high season we would just meet at my house to celebrate "tea." Every year for Christmas Vicky would make calamondin liqueur from her ample supply of the fruit on her tree. This delightful cocktail would be our substitute for champagne.

I shall miss Vicky; she was a true friend, a kindred spirit. My heart goes out to John, her devoted companion for 30 years. She was unique; there will be a void in our lives.

(See page 11 for complete Obituary and photo).

PARK NEWS

Everglades National Park Wins Historic Preservation Grant-*Our Votes Counted!*

Everglades National Park and the South Florida National Parks Trust (SFNPT) have won a \$250,000 historic preservation grant to restore the park's iconic Flamingo Visitor Center after a six-week national voting campaign.

The Partners in Preservation grant awarded by American Express and the National Trust for Historic Preservation will help to spur park efforts to revitalize the entire Flamingo district inside Everglades National Park.

The Flamingo Visitor Center was voted one of the top projects nationwide by the public during a "Vote Your Park" campaign organized by the National Trust, American Express and National Geographic to showcase preservation projects in national parks.

More than one million votes were cast online during the campaign. Everglades received 64,155 votes, the 7th highest total among the 20 participating national parks.

"We are grateful to everyone who supported Everglades National Park through this exciting campaign. The results are especially rewarding as this support corresponds with the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act," said Superintendent Pedro Ramos of Everglades National Park.

The park will use the \$250,000 grant to repair the exterior of the visitor center, restore the surrounding landscape and improve the visitor experience in Flamingo while working toward the goal of opening a new visitor center inside the building.

With its distinctive breezeway and bright pink exterior, the Flamingo Visitor Center has served as a gateway to the Everglades and Florida Bay since the 1960s. The waterfront building was damaged in 2005 by back-to-back hurricanes and is now in dire need of repair.

Everglades National Park was one of 20 national parks competing for \$2 million in grant funding from the National Trust and American Express. Grants were awarded to the nine parks that received the most public votes during the Vote Your Park campaign. The grants celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service in 2016.

"We are thrilled with the response and support for Partners in Preservation: National Parks and are proud to be awarding \$2 million in grants to extraordinary sites that tell the story of our national park system and reflect the rich cultural resources within it," said Timothy J. McClimon, president of the American Express Foundation.

"Partners in Preservation: National Parks has shone new light on the importance of rehabilitating historic resources in national parks and provided much needed funding to make them more accessible to visitors for years to come," said Stephanie K. Meeks, President and CEO, National Trust for Historic Preservation. "And through their participation in the campaign, more than 140,000 Americans have reaffirmed that these places matter – to our history, our nation, and our communities."

LOCAL NEWS

Preparation is Key to Crime Prevention

In keeping with past off-season trends, Everglades City and the surrounding area has recently been experiencing a slight increase in burglaries and thefts. Currently, this victimization takes the form of burglaries to local businesses, thefts of boat motors and other fishing gear, thefts of golf carts, ATVs, and small equipment, and gasoline thefts. Your local sheriff's deputies understand that there are many issues that drive the current trend; including, basic depravity, the slower off-season economy, individuals who may have recently returned to the area from incarceration, and crime committed to feed drug habits.

The sheriff's office employs several traditional and non-traditional law enforcement strategies to prevent, detect, and intercept these crimes and the offenders who prey upon their own neighbors. The sheriff's office has been successful in some recent cases in apprehending suspects involved in recent crimes through the collection of valuable evidence, the obtaining of detailed witness statements, and the deputies' local knowledge of known offenders.

There have been other instances in which the arrest of a theft suspect was thwarted because the victim of the theft later refused to prosecute the offender because of historical area connections. While the decision to refuse prosecution is often the right of the victim, refusing to prosecute a known thief only serves to expose other area residents to additional victimization and loss of property.

There are many things that a property owner can do to assist in crime prevention efforts:

- Upgrade physical security features on structures Install high resolution video surveillance system
- Upgrade security lighting on structures
- Record serial numbers of all equipment, boat motors, golf carts, and ATVs
- Store frequently stolen equipment out of sight and in a secured area if possible
- Call the sheriff's office dispatch center with all suspicious people and activity

WHO TO CALL:

Collier County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Emergency: 911

Collier County Sheriff's Office Dispatch NON Emergency:

239-252-9300

Collier County Sheriff's Office TIPS line: 239-775-TIPS (8477)

or e-mail: tips@colliersheriff.org

If you have information concerning narcotics activity or a crime that is under investigations, you can remain anonymous and possibly be eligible for a reward by calling CRIMESTOPPERS at 1-800-780 TIPS (8477)

Lieutenant Jake Walker

District Commander – Everglades Patrol District

239-252-9902 Ext. 4902

RESTAURANTS

Angler's Cove, Port of the Islands
(642-1025): Tuesday thru Sunday,
Noon - 9 pm; closed Monday

Camellia Street Grill (695-2003):
11 noon - 5pm; daily

City Seafood (695-4700):
6:00 am - 6:00 pm; daily
Supper Upstairs 6-9 pm;
Thursday-Sunday

Glades Haven Deli (695-2091):
6:00 am - 6:00 pm; Sun - Thurs
6:00 am - 9:00 pm; Fri - Sat

Havana Café (695-2214):
Closed for the Summer

Island Café (695-0003):
6:00 am - 9:00 pm; daily

Ivey House (695-3299):
6:30 - 9:30 am; daily

Joanie's Blue Crab Café (695-2682):
11:00 am - 5:00 pm; Fri thru Tues
closed Wed and Thurs

Oyster House Restaurant (695-2073):
11:00 am - 9 pm; Sun thru Thurs
11:00 am - 10:00 pm; Fri, Sat


Rod & Gun (695-2101):
11:30 am - 8:00 pm; daily

Subway at Gator Express (695-3937):
7:00 am - 7:00 pm; daily

Sweet Mayberry's Café (695-0092):
11 am-5 pm; Mon thru Sat

Tastes of the Everglades (695-0075)
11 am - 8 pm; daily

Triad Seafood & Café (695-2662):
Closed for the Summer

Right Choice Supermarket (695-4535): 
9:00 am - 7:00 pm; daily

Grimm's Stone Crab (239-695-3222):
Closed until October 15

Loco's Fresh Produce: (239-462-7050)
Closed for the Summer

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Chokoloskee Church of God
10 am Sunday School, 11 am Sun Worship

Copeland Baptist Church
10 am Sunday School, 11 am Sun Worship

Everglades Community Church
11 am Sun Worship

1st Baptist Church of Everglades City
9:45 am Sunday School, 11 am Worship
6 pm Sunday, 6 pm Wed Bible Study

St. Finbarr Catholic Church
8 am (Spanish) and 10 am (English) Mass

San Marco Catholic Church
8 am and 10:30 am Mass

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TIDES FOR BARRON RIVER

07/16 Sat	01:39AM	2.1	H
07/16 Sat	07:51AM	0.9	L
07/16 Sat	12:53PM	2.9	H
07/16 Sat	08:48PM	0.0	L
07/17 Sun	02:22AM	2.2	H
07/17 Sun	08:34AM	0.8	L
07/17 Sun	01:32PM	3.1	H
07/17 Sun	09:29PM	-0.1	L
07/18 Mon	03:00AM	2.3	H
07/18 Mon	09:15AM	0.8	L
07/18 Mon	02:08PM	3.2	H
07/18 Mon	10:08PM	-0.2	L
07/19 Tue	03:36AM	2.4	H
07/19 Tue	09:55AM	0.8	L
07/19 Tue	02:41PM	3.2	H
07/19 Tue	10:46PM	-0.2	L
07/20 Wed	04:14AM	2.5	H
07/20 Wed	10:35AM	0.7	L
07/20 Wed	03:13PM	3.3	H
07/20 Wed	11:24PM	-0.3	L
07/21 Thu	04:52AM	2.6	H
07/21 Thu	11:16AM	0.7	L
07/21 Thu	03:48PM	3.2	H
07/22 Fri	12:02AM	-0.2	L
07/22 Fri	05:31AM	2.6	H
07/22 Fri	11:59AM	0.6	L
07/22 Fri	04:29PM	3.2	H
07/23 Sat	12:41AM	-0.1	L
07/23 Sat	06:11AM	2.6	H
07/23 Sat	12:47PM	0.5	L
07/23 Sat	05:18PM	3.0	H
07/24 Sun	01:22AM	0.0	L
07/24 Sun	06:52AM	2.7	H
07/24 Sun	01:41PM	0.5	L
07/24 Sun	06:20PM	2.7	H
07/25 Mon	02:07AM	0.2	L
07/25 Mon	07:36AM	2.7	H
07/25 Mon	02:45PM	0.4	L
07/25 Mon	07:36PM	2.5	H
07/26 Tue	02:58AM	0.4	L
07/26 Tue	08:23AM	2.8	H
07/26 Tue	03:58PM	0.4	L
07/26 Tue	09:01PM	2.3	H
07/27 Wed	03:58AM	0.6	L
07/27 Wed	09:16AM	2.8	H
07/27 Wed	05:11PM	0.2	L
07/27 Wed	10:33PM	2.1	H
07/28 Thu	05:06AM	0.7	L
07/28 Thu	10:17AM	2.9	H
07/28 Thu	06:19PM	0.1	L
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07/29 Fri	06:13AM	0.8	L
07/29 Fri	11:20AM	3.0	H
07/29 Fri	07:20PM	0.0	L
07/30 Sat	01:24AM	2.2	H
07/30 Sat	07:15AM	0.8	L
07/30 Sat	12:20PM	3.2	H
07/31 Sun	02:18AM	2.3	H
07/31 Sun	08:12AM	0.8	L
07/31 Sun	01:12PM	3.3	H

OBITUARIES

Victoria Nagle, age 73, passed away peacefully on June 30. She was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, lived in Chicago for several years before moving to



Sarasota where she met John Wilson. They both loved the Everglades, purchasing their Collier-era home in 1996 and moving permanently to this area from Siesta Key in 2000. In her own words, Vicky said that she "loved the arts, loved teaching and was very proud to be a better American and person by becoming a liberal Democrat." She also wanted to be remembered that "she meant well." Per her request there will be no services but a celebration of her life in the fall with an afternoon BBQ with music including Elvis Presley, Bach, Beethoven, Wagner, Brahms, Stravinsky, Miles Davis and Bill Monroe.

(Read more about Vicky on page 9)

Pat Davis Gaul, 63, of Rogers, AR passed away Saturday, July 9, 2016 in Gravette, AR. She was born Dec. 23, 1952 in the Everglades City Hospital, to parents James



Clyde and Zola Lenora Summerlyn Davis. Pat attended and graduated from Everglades City School.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Jimmie Lenora Foss. She is survived by the love of her life and partner, David Humphreys, and three brothers; Jack Davis and wife, Donna of Tampa, Fla., Willis Davis of Little Rock, and JC Davis of Atlanta, Ga.; her loving niece, Marion Pollack of Rogers and her nephew, Phillip Davis of Little Rock.

Celebration of Pat's life took place July 13 at Benton County Funeral Home. www.bentoncountyfuneralhome.com.

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FOR SALE or RENT: Cabins #7 & #8 at Glades Haven. Call (239) 695-9142 or email at fishnw.mykee55@live.com. or www.GladesRealty.com



"Callie" won the coveted Patriotic Pet award for dog "mom" Jaye Brunner on July 2nd.

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